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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: SHOWA CORPORATION)
Serial Number: 10/802219) **Examiner:** Charles
Filed: 3/17/2004)
For: AUTO TENSIONER) **Art Unit:** 3682
Docket Number: 13776)

RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION

Commissioner of Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

29 March 2007

Sir:

This communication is responsive to your Office Action dated 29 December 2006 having a shortened statutory period for reply set to expire on 29 March 2007. Accordingly, this response is timely filed on 29 March 2007.

Please amend the application as follows:

In the Drawings:

Please amend the Drawings with the attached new drawing sheet Fig. 7.

In the Specification:

Please amend the Specification as shown in the section entitled Specification Amendment.